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AMEMBASSY OTTAWA FLASH FLASH

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TOSEC 309

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT:

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM SONNENFELDT

WHITE HOUSE PLEASE PASS SAM 86972

1/ MR. LORD AND SONNENFELDT JUST MET WITH IVAN

HEAD WHO STRESSED

AGAIN THE CANADIAN SENSITIVITY OVER THE INDIAN NUCLEAR
EXPLOSION. THIS IS A MAJOR ELECTION ISSUE AND THE
IMPLICATION LEFT BY YOU THIS MORNING OF CANADIAN
NEGLIGENCE HAS GONE OVER BADLY IN CANADA AND YOU WILL
PROBABLY BE HIT ON IT AS EARLY AS THE AIRPORT.

2. YOU SHOULD BE PREPARED TO SAY THAT CANADIAN
SAFEGUARDS WERE THE BEST AVAILABLE AT THE TIME AS WERE
THOSE INVOLVING OUR HEAVY WATER; AND THAT YOU DID NOT
INTEND TO SAY ANYTHING INVIDIOUS ABOUT THE CANADIANS.
IVAN HEAD ALSO THOUGHT WE SHOULD SAY SOMETHING MORE FORTH-
RIGHTLY CRITICAL OF THE INDIANS. BUT SONNENFELDT THINKS
THIS IS LESS IMPORTANT THAN AVOIDING INVIDIOUS COMPARISONS
BETWEEN US AND THE CANADIANS.

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3. TALKING POINTS FOLLOW FLASH SEPTTEL. SISCO

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